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BELLARMINE—SAN JOSE

The last three days of the year Rev. Father McCann gave a triduum to the Sisters at Mater Misericordiae Hospital in Sacramento and Father Austin at St. Joseph Military Academy in Belmont.

Twenty-three were received into the Sodality with elaborate ceremony on December 8th. Father Bartholomew O'Neill delivered a choice sermon. Co-operating with the Sodality Mr. Joseph Brusher had his Senior debaters argue a Catholic question; and Mr. Clement Conway assigned for book report in his English class the study of any one of Father Lord's pamphlets.

Among the Christmas assignments for Bellarmine Father Charles Largan had the colorful experience of officiating at old Carmel Mission and preaching "coram Episcopo," Bishop Scher being in the sanctuary.

BROPHY COLLEGE—PHOENIX

The Jesuit Fathers are still in great demand as speakers at Phoenix gatherings. Father Fox was called upon to address special meetings of the Jews and American Legion. Father McCarthy gave a lecture on Ireland to the Knights of Columbus. Father Watson addressed the students of Tempe State Teachers College on the Reformation. Father Madigan was present at the dedication of the new C. C. C. Camp. Father Rector addressed the Parent Teachers Association of St. Mary's Parish. Father Burns is in active charge of the drive for the Catholic Social Service of Arizona and has given stirring talks all over town. Father Fox conducted an eight-day retreat for the Good Shepherd nuns.

The Boy's Sodality under the direction of Father Madigan had a special mass, after which new members were received. Father Rector gave an inspiring talk on Catholic Leadership. At the Communion Breakfast that followed, Fathers Flynn and Madigan and

Mr. Deasy addressed the sodalists. The officers of the Sodality gave splendid talks on imitating Mary's virtues.

Playing Mesa for the state championship the Brophy Football team lost 6 to 0. The local press gave better pictures of the Brophy team than of Mesa or Phoenix High, Mr. Robinson in particular receiving high praise. Mr. Deasy's Colts defeated the best lightweight teams in the valley; while his basketball teams will emulate Mr. Robinson's bigger aggregations in competing with the best in the state. The attendance at the game was the largest in the history of the Brophy Stadium.

Father Fox is directing the annual play, "The Mystery Man." He has obtained free of charge one of the largest theatres in town, the Orpheum. Special films without cost have been acquired from Hollywood as an added attraction. It is expected that two thousand seats will be sold several days before the performance. To advertise the play Father O'Keefe has painted some excellent signs.

Reverend Father Provincial stayed a week at Brophy; and decided to let the school keep running until June. The deficit for next semester will be lessened by the funds obtained by plays and bazaars.

LOS GATOS

The drive directly in front of the Novitiate, assuming a more stately dignity has been considerably widened of late by workmen. The project necessitated the construction of a stone wall, which, primarily serving as a support, will be heightened, thus adding a touch of the artistic to the roadway.

The Roothan Circle was presented with a noteworthy program this month in the Christmas sermonette preached by Brother Silva and the instruction proffered by Brother P. Donohoe.

John J. Hazen of Los Angeles recently entered the Novitiate as a coadjutor postulant.

Cicero lives again—such was the impression produced by the Latin Academy presented December 23rd by our first-year juniors. They wove carefully selected passages from Cicero's orations into several little dramas, which brought the great Roman before us in the most stirring incidents of his life, such as the denunciation of Verres, the eulogy of the poet and poetry, the scathing indictment of Cataline, the Senators' condemnation of the conspirators after listening to the verdicts of Caesar, Cato and Cicero. An amusing interlude was presented by a Roman auctioneer endeavoring to sell some venerable stools on which the noblest of the ancestors had been seated in bygone days. The entertainment was highly appreciated among others by Rev. Father Provincial and Father Rector who had just returned from his yearly retreat.

Now entirely partitioned off from the exhortation hall the novices' chapel has of recent date undergone considerable renovation. The walls have been painted a delicate blue; while the pews, one time possessions of Santa Clara, have received a rich coat of dark ivory. A new communion rail is the work of Brother Julian, coadjutor novice, who has also done most of the renovating. Work of a similar nature has been effected in the novice recreation room. Barber shop and other manual work departments will be consigned to the smaller section of the partitioned hall.

Mr. Charles Bulotti of San Francisco was both guest and entertainer of the novices and juniors when he graciously presented them with a classic Christmas concert December 27th.

LOYOLA HIGH—LOS ANGELES

The third convention of the Sodality Union that was held this year met at the Catholic Girls' High School with delegates present from St. Mary's Academy, the Immaculate Heart, Ramona Convent, the Catholic Girls' High School, Cathedral, St. Agnes and Loyola.

Under the energetic leadership of Mr. O'Mara the students of Loyola filled a truck with food, clothing, and toys for the St. Vincent de Paul Society.

Mr. Preston has been transferred to St. Ignatius High School, San Francisco, to fill an urgent need.

The little room at the entrance to the domestic chapel has at last received the coveted shrine of St. Ignatius, a copy of the famous wood carving venerated at the novitiate of Loyola. The image de-

picts Ignatius at the moment God taught him during his convalescence that the real heroes are those who labor for Christ. There is also a copy of the painting of Our Lady of the Wayside, done by the same artist who made the statue, Mr. Candelario Rivas. He has also carved a beautiful frame of Spanish design for his picture. Mr. Benecke, the father of Carl Benecke, S. J., has made a unique group of votive lamps, and a friend has furnished the shrine with walnut prie-dieus.

LOYOLA UNIVERSITY LOS ANGELES

An old Christmas vacation farewell was revived by the students at Loyola University this year when each class put on a twenty minute skit written, directed and played by members of the respective classes. This year's performance was the first to be called "Loyola Night." Students, friends and relatives packed the students' auditorium on the evening of December 15th to witness the class plays. The large crowd that braved the inclement weather of that evening augured well for the future attendance of the proposed annual "Loyola Night."

George Finucane, junior Loyola Arts student, defeated Lawrence Pritchard, student-body president of U. S. C., in a debate held at Bovard Auditorium on December 11th. The subject, "Resolved: that radio advertising, as it is now used, is desirable," and the side of the question he wished to uphold was chosen by the U. S. C. debater. However, the five past presidents of the Los Angeles Advertising Club, who acted as judges of the debate awarded the decision to the Loyola debater. A professor at U. S. C. informed Father Semeria, the moderator of Loyola's senior debating society, that Finucane was the most skilful collegiate debater that he has been pleased to witness.

Five debating teams drawn from the University's two debating societies represented Loyola at the annual forensic contests held at Redlands University, December 8th. Approximately one hundred teams representing twenty educational institutions in Utah, Arizona and California competed in the contest. Loyola was adjudged third place in the final decisions. Entering the final round of debates Loyola lost by default when an urgent message from home necessitated the withdrawal of one of Loyola's debaters.

Father Edward Whelan, S. J., gave a three day retreat to the Loyola student-body, December 11-12-13. Stations of the Cross were erected on the campus and led from the Arts building to the shrine of the Crucifixion. The Stations of the Cross were devoutly attended by the students as a part of the order of the retreat exercises. The retreat ended December 14th with a Solemn High Mass and the reception of new members into the Sodality.

At the 405th anniversary of the feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe celebrated in Los Angeles, December 10th, the University band provided the music for 15,000 Holy Name members who marched in the procession. The procession marched through the streets of East Los Angeles to the athletic field of St. Mary's A. C., where Holy Mass was celebrated in the open air.

Father Acquistapace has been given charge of the beautifying of the Campus. Already full grown trees have been transplanted to the campus property and shrubs and flowers have been planted. There is a new luster on the green leaves and fresh blisters on the hands of the boys who have been appointed to help our new landscape architect.

Mr. Henry Bodkin, former president of the St. Vincent's-Loyola Alumni Association, and guest speaker at the Loyola Homecoming celebration held in November, was bound and tortured by robbers when two masked men broke into his home December 16th. Holding burning magazines to his tied hands, while his wife, son and hired maid-servant looked on in horror, the burglars forced their victim to give up all the money and jewels hidden in the house.

Father Rector has been informed that the paving of Fordham Road by the city will begin as soon as a formal dedication has been made by H. C. Culver and Loyola University of their respective shares of the property. This dedication will be made next month.

Harold F. Ryan, S. J., professor of English and Latin, whose article on "The Critical Angle" appeared in the America December 16th, will begin a seminar on Catholic literature with the start of the second semester.

The Fathers' library has been completely catalogued by Librarian Frank Glaser and his assistant, Frederick Gill. Duplicate sets of the classics have been installed from the stackroom of the students' library, new additions have been

made and a magazine rack provided for the periodicals.

John Costello, former President of the Alumni Association, has recently been appointed as Graduate Manager of Athletics. Mr. Victor Lawler, who was Graduate Manager until recently and also Dean of the College of Commerce, was too severely burdened to carry on both positions.

SANTA CLARA UNIVERSITY

Members of the Faculty went at Christmas to supply at Placerville, Rodeo, Pleasanton, San Francisco, Oakland, and the churches and convents of San Jose and Santa Clara.

Local athletic circles were stirred when it was decided that for the good of the University athletic relations with St. Mary's College should be discontinued. Shortly after, the football team left for their vacation games in the Hawaiian Islands. The first game was won by Santa Clara, the second will be played after this article goes to press.

ST. IGNATIUS, SAN FRANCISCO

Thursday night, November 23rd, there was scheduled a dual debate between U. S. F. and Stanford U., but owing to a confusion of dates Stanford was unprepared for that night, and the debate turned out to be a home affair; the team which was supposed to go to Palo Alto remained home to debate with their fellow students. The question was: "Resolved, that Democracy has more to fear from Communism than from Despotism." The audience were not in the least disappointed in not seeing the Stanford team, for the home debate turned out to be one of the most interesting debates ever held in the University auditorium. The arguments were flavored with humorous incidents and comments about one another, that only a friendly debate between fellow students can produce. Even the "extra formam" had its interest when one of the audience asked one of the speakers if he could give the original Greek of a quotation he used from Plato. Replying that he could not but that the affirmative side was very versatile, he called upon one of his colleagues to give the requested quotation in the original. The speaker responded by giving the celebrated passage of St. John Chrysostom "Mataiotes mataioteton." The speaker did not get away with it, for one in the audience informed him that

he was confusing Plato with St. John Chrysostom. No decision was rendered.

On Tuesday night, November 28th, the Sullivan Memorial Oratorical Contest was held in the Y. M. I. auditorium. Speaking for the University of Santa Clara, Nicholas Alaga won.

When the final arrangements for the Masonic cemetery deed transfer will have been complete before the end of the year, the plan and hope of the U. S. F. board of trustees for a "Greater University of San Francisco" will be partially realized. Land totaling fifteen acres, to the south of an imaginary projection of Golden Gate Avenue, will be transferred to the University outright upon completion of the sale. An option to the remainder of the cemetery, thirteen acres, will be given to the University upon completion of the sale.

On Friday evening, December 8th, the Feast of the Immaculate Conception, the sodality of the University of San Francisco took part in the services in honor of St. Bernadette. The canonization of this saint took place in Rome on the same day. The Sodality of the University and St. Ignatius high school participated in the services in conjunction with the Ladies' and Gentlemen's Sodalities of St. Ignatius Church.

On Sunday evening, November 26th, thirteen candidates were received as regular members in the Sanctuary Society. The occasion was the Feast of St. John Berchmans, the patron of the society.

On Friday evening, December 1st, in the High School auditorium, the House, junior debating society, lost its first public debate in a close contest with a team from Bellarmine. The debate as a whole was very interesting, both sides presenting forcible arguments. The topic for discussion was: "Resolved, that the California Retail Sales Tax should be repealed."

During the latter part of November, St. Ignatius High School was granted the honor of entertaining the members of the Catholic Quill in the last formal meeting of that society for the present semester. Among the speakers of the occasion were Fr. James King, S. J., and Mr. Sugrue, S. J., of the Ignatian faculty.

The Loyola Guild held its annual Christmas party on Friday, December 8th, at the University. The Chinese play, "Yong Lo Bestows His Daughter's Hand," was presented by the dramatic art contestants of the High School. The

presentation of this play was the High School's contribution to the success of the yearly affair given by the Mothers' Guild.

FATHER HUBBARD

Our Padre of the Glaciers will be back in California in January. His Eastern lecture tour has been most successful: twenty-four lectures were given in November.

In Philadelphia Cardinal Dougherty attended one of the lectures and commented: "The Jesuits are smart. Here is the real answer of the Catholic Church to the evils of motion pictures—one like Father Hubbard's." The next evening the Cardinal attended another of Fr. Hubbard's lectures.

In Washington, D. C., Fr. Hubbard packed Constitution Hall under the auspices of the National Geographic Society.

He will lecture in Los Angeles in January under the auspices of the Pacific Geographic Society, giving a series of four lectures in Los Angeles, Pasadena, Long Beach, and San Diego.

His tour will be interrupted for a day in San Francisco where he must give away his Alaska co-explorer, Red Chisholm, in marriage. Father Hubbard was able to give Bishop Crimont a check for \$2000 for the Alaska Missions.

"Aniakchak," the motion picture in sound, is being shown by Fox Film Corporation the world over. Witness the following from the German Province News: "Einen Film von ganz aussergewöhnlichem Interesse und uberragender Bedeutung hat ein katholischer Priester hergestellt. Pater Bernard Hubbard S. J., hat sich, begleitet von einigen Mitarbeitern, in die gefahrvollsten Gegenden Alaskas vorgewagt. . . . Der Film, gleich wertvoll in kunstlerischer wie in wissenschaftlicher Beziehung, wurde in Polytechnischen Theater in London vorgefuhrt."

DEATHS IN THE ASSISTANCY

Fr. Richard A. O'Brien, December 5th, Ateneo, Manila, P. I.

Fr. Thomas E. Murphy, December 14th, St. Mary's Hospital, Brooklyn, N. Y.

DEATHS OF RELATIVES

Mr. Leopold Monbailu, brother of Father Bailey.

Mr. Richard Boland, December 12th, father of Fr. Edward Boland.